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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Communication of December 8, 2004 and the Board's Decision of August 26, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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